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News **Notes**

Correction Hickam Kukini misspelled the name of the new warfighting headquarters. The correct spelling is Kenney Headquarters. We apologize for the error.

Airman's barbecue -The Hickam 56 Council is hosting the second annual Airman Appreciation Barbecue June 24 from noon to 5 p.m. at the 15th Security Forces Squadron Dorm pavilion next to the enlisted club's parking lot. Free hamburgers, hot dogs and beverages will be provided to all Hickam Airmen.

HOSC event - The Hickam Officers' Spouses Club will hold a membership appreciation aloha social Tuesday at the officers' club Polynesian gazebo. The social begins at 9:30 a.m. and breakfast will begin at 10 a.m. The event is free to all HOSC members in good standing. Reservations must be made by noon today. For reservations, contact Jolande Murray (A-L) at 423-7097 or Jeannette Ramirez (M-Z) at 422-7444.

Promotion celebration -

The Chief Master Sergeants of Hawaii invite all of Team Hickam to join in congratulating Team Hickam's newest master sergeant and technical sergeant selects Thursday at 4:30 p.m. at the enlisted club. For more information, contact Senior Master Sgt. Michael Rennie at 449-4546.

Steak sale - Chief Master Sergeants of Hawaii Steak Sale is June 17 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Family Support Center Lanai. Get an eight to 10 ounce steak, rice, baked beans, roll and drink all for \$8. All proceeds support Air Force Hawaii Enlisted programs. Contact a member of the Chief Master Sereants of Hawaii to purchase a ticket or contact Senior Master Sgt. Jerry Lewis at 449-8093, Senior Master Sgt. 1028.

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15th MDG gets new CC

By Tech. Sgt. Andrew Leonhard 15th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The 15th Medical Group came under new leadership during a change of command ceremony held in front of the Schick Clinic June 2.

Col. David Hocking assumed command from Col. Scott Wardell who heads to Maxwell AFB, Ala., after commanding since May 30, 2003. Colonel Hocking comes to Hawaii from Misawa Air Base, Japan, where he was the 35th Medical Group deputy commander.

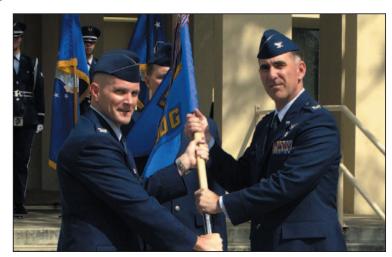
"The torch has been passed to a new command, a command committed to fitness of the force, leadership, accountability and attitude, and clinical based practice guidelines, we will face many challenges together," he said.

Colonel Hocking received a direct

commission in the Air Force Nurse Corps as a second lieutenant in 1982. He is board certified in Nursing Administration by the American Nurses Association.

As the 15th MDG commander, the colonel will lead three squadrons: the 15th Medical Operations Squadron; the 15th Aerospace/Dental Squadron and the 15th Medical Support Squadron consisting of more than 200 people who provide healthcare for more than 13.000 Tricare Prime enrollees and outpatient healthcare to the Hickam community.

During his speech Colonel Hocking said, "As the wing grows into a Pacific Mobility Hub and we prepare for the arrival of the C-17 Globemaster, medics will be on point to ensure the human weapon system is prepared to fly, flight and win!"



Col. David Hocking, 15th Medical Group commander, accepts the guidon from Col. Bill "Goose" Changose, 15th Airlift Wing commander, during a change of command ceremony June 2.

Here's looking at zoo, kid



An orangutan smiles at the guests of the Honolulu Zoo Saturday. More than 6,000 military members and their families visited the zoo Saturday to enjoy the Military Appreciation Day sponsored by the USO and the Honolulu Zoo. For more on the event, see A3.

Anthrax back in action

By Capt. Patricia Teran-Matthews 15th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The Food and Drug Administration approved an emergency use authorization of the anthrax vaccination.

The informational program period is through July 27. At the conclusion of that period, the program will either expire, extend or mandated vaccinations will begin

The primary mode of providing education to individuals is through the anthrax vaccine immunization program trifold brochure. Members who refuse to take the shot after

receiving a briefing and the trifold, will not be subject to disciplinary actions however, members will still be deployable.

The Department of Defense fully supports the program.

"Along with DOD, I fully support the program," said Col. Bill "Goose" Changose, 15th Airlift Wing commander. "The safety and readiness of my personnel are top prior-

ities. Since the threat of anthrax is deadly and real and vaccination is the only know protection against it, I am pleased it's going to be available to our personnel."

At Hickam all military members targeted for deployment departure through July 27 will receive a pamphlet and briefing. Then they will have an opportunity to ask questions. Once all questions are answered, they will have the opportunity to receive the vac-

Anyone going TDY for 15 or more consecutive days to the Korean Peninsula or to the Central Command Area of Responsibility will have first priority in receiving the shot.

Hickam has ordered the vaccine and briefings will begin upon arrival of the vaccine. The 15th Medical Group Allergy/ Immunization's Clinic will offer AVIP counseling Mondays at 2:30 p.m.

For more information, visit www.anthrax. mil, www.vaccines.mil or call the immunizations clinic at 448-6273.

29 year career defined by hard work, integrity

Secrets to his success

By Sharee Moore Kukini Photojournalist

Twenty-nine years, nine months and six days of military service ends today for one Airman in a retirement ceremony at the Channel Memorial (Missing Man Formation) here.

Before heading off on life's next adventure, he took a moment to share the secrets to promotion, and highlights from his career.

Chief Master Sergeant Bernard J. Trame, Jr., Information Operations Group command chief, obtained career success through positive examples, a little grit, and a lot of determination a career philosophy that works.

Making the top enlisted grade isn't difficult but, Airmen must know their jobs, study hard and have a supervisor able to docupromotion board, Chief about," Chief Trame said. Trame noted.

"It's not just doing your



Chief Trame

job; it's how you do your job," he instructed. "You approach each job as a challenge and always try to leave things better than when you found it. Attitude plays a very big part. You need to approach each job with the same enthusiasm and do your best whether you like the job or not," Chief Trame said

"You (also) need to keep a good balance between family and your career you really do. And it's tough, the military life can be very, very trying on a family life especially if the other family member doesment everything for the n't realize what it's all

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Child safety

Teach children the danger signs before they lose their vital signs.

Don't let your child die because your poison was not locked up high.

For safety's sake: keep children out of hot

A cat has nine lives with eight to spare, children have only one, so be safe - beware. Be wise and protect little tykes from shocks, burns and all the likes.

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Get to know your HIANG counterparts

By Col. Bill "Goose" Changose 15th Airlift Wing commander

had the great opportunity to visit with the Hawaii Air National Guard last week, what an amazing organization ... Absolutely first class! This is a legendary unit that pretty much does the full spectrum of Air Force operations, and they do it superbly.

As we prepare for the beddown of the C-17, we will be working even closer with our HIANG counterparts. Some of you may have your chain of supervision intertwined within the HIANG as our operations get up and running with this awesome new mission. This is innovative, leading edge stuff, but I'm sure we'll make it happen.

I cannot tell you how much I am looking forward to the first C-17s arrival and Hickam becoming the nation's Pacific Airlift Hub.

I encourage each of you to seek out your HIANG counterparts and get to know them and what their focus is here in the islands. They are a great asset to have with us on Hickam.

As I hope you are all enjoying this beautiful weather, please continue to be safe in your work, home and recreational activities. We can't afford to lose one member of Team Hickam. Watch out for yourselves, your loved ones and your fellow Sky Warriors!

I had the privilege of attending the Federal Executive Board annual awards. My congratulations to Tom Hunter, 15th Civil Engineer Squadron, the federal employee of the year, trades and crafts; Ammon Leeson, Pacific Air Forces, federal manager/supervisor of the year; Master Sgt. Jennifer Anderson, 735th Air Mobility Squadron, exceptional community service; Tech. Sgt. Philip Hudson, DISA Pacific, enlisted servicemember of the year; Lt. Col. Daniel Semsel, DESC Pacific, small organization officer of the year; Capt. Darnell Salley, 15th Comptroller Squadron, large organization officer of the year; and Det. 3, 13th Air Force, federal organizational excellence. We know we have great people, it's nice to see that they have been recognized by a board of judges from across the federal government



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Kristen Higgins

Col. Scott Chesnut, 15th Airlift Wing vice commander, and Col. Bill "Goose" Changose, 15th AW commander, visit with Brig. Gen. Peter Pawling, 154th Wing commander, during a tour of the Hawaii Air National Guard June 3.

Everyone plays role in team

By Lt. Col. Steve Franklin 15th Operations Support Squadron commander

EWSFLASH: The C-17s are coming. It's no secret that our mission here at Hickam is changing and expanding. Modernizing Hickam into America's Pacific Airlift Hub won't just happen overnight, it will take true team effort. The way I see it, our role in this team includes the following responsibilities:

Pull your share of the load.

We've all heard the saying, "do more with less." It's a fact of life that resources have decreased and the mission has grown. That's why we all need to do our part. I offer you the following challenge: look at your squadron emblem every

time you walk out the door and

ask yourself, "Have I left this

squadron a better place?"

Prioritize your tasks everyday. Try as you may, you will
probably never empty that in-basket. There will always be another
tasker. Prioritize and do your
best, that's all that is expected of

you. We may all be all-stars but



Colonel Franklin

we can't do it alone. Team Hickam isn't just a cliché or catch phrase. Work together as a team and you'll be amazed at what we can accomplish.

Take care of yourself. You must be physically, mentally and spiritually ready to do the job. Uncle Sam wants you to be in shape, hence you have been given time for PT. It's a proven fact; you are more productive to the "team" if you are in shape. Additionally, you have 30 days of leave every year for a reason. Take a break now and then. None

of us are so important that we can't afford to take a break and recharge our batteries. Find a way to spiritually refresh yourself. If you're not sure how to do that, the chaplain will leave the light on for you. This is a dangerous business we are in no matter what your job is. Your supervisor needs you to be mentally focused when you're on duty.

Take care of your family. They are the ultimate support team and we can't do our job without them. As the saying goes, "Make sure you run out of Air Force before you run out of family." Teach your families where they can go for assistance and prepare them for the times you are deployed. If you're having problems, see your supervisor ... see the shirt ... or see the chaplain. Keep an eye out for your squadron family as well. Everyone needs a wingman, and you may be the one who can spot the signs of trouble before anyone else.

Think outside the box. Your job has not been perfected yet, but you may be the only one who knows how to do it better. The

IDEA program is alive and well and your good idea could put money in your pocket and save some money for another aspect of our mission.

Stay within the rules. Today's Air Force has no room for drugs and alcohol abuse, harassment or discrimination. Zero tolerance - end of story. If you violate these rules, it ties your commander's hands with what he or she can do.

Think ahead. It's been said, "A safe individual is someone who uses their superior judgment to stay out of situations requiring their superior skill." Be smart and plan ahead. If ever in doubt, take a second and think to yourself, "How would this read in the mishap report?" Think safety.

Lastly, don't forget to have fun. Remember, you are a volunteer and where else can you do something so important for America and do it with such fantastic people? One day you just might see a Hickam tail flash on CNN and you'll surely beam with pride in knowing you were a part of the team that made that possible.

Hickam Diamond Tips



Backpacks: When wearing BDUs, only solid color black, olive drab or woodland camouflage backpacks are authorized. With blues, only solid black backpacks are allowed. Backpacks may be worn over both shoulders. Source: 96th Air Force Uniform

Board Results, June 2004.

Questions? Contact your first sergeant.

Action Line

The purpose of the Action Line is in its name. It's your direct link to me so we can work as a team to make Hickam a better community. It also allows you to recognize individuals who go "above and beyond" in their duties - and we all know there are plenty of those folks here. All members of Team Hickam are welcome to use the Action Line; however, I urge you to give the normal chain of command the first chance at resolving problems or issues. It's only fair to give our commanders and managers the first opportunity to work issues under their responsibility. If you have done this and are still not satisfied, give my commander's Action Line a call. If you would like me to get back to you, leave your name and number, state your issue, tell me who you have talked to and why you were not satisfied with their response. I'll work your issue and respond verbally or in writing. The Action Line number is 449-2996. Messages may also be sent by e-mail to 15aw.pal@hickam.af.mil.

Water conservation

Comment: Water conservation is essential to our environment. I notice the sprinkler system running during most afternoons on Hickam AFB. Can the sprinkler system be

set to go off during early morning or late evening to avoid excess evaporation?

Response: Our grounds maintenance contractor normally sets the irrigation timers between 2200 and 0500 hrs in areas where automatic timers exist. Many areas are manually controlled so they are watered during the contractor's normal work hours from 0700-1600. Unfortunately, watering in the morning must be limited to prevent excessive drop in water pressure when families are placing a higher demand on the water supply system. The contractor has also installed manual timers on hose bibs to control excessive watering throughout the base. We encourage anyone to call CE Customer Service 24 hour Service Desk at 449-9951/52 to report any irrigation malfunction from broken sprinkler heads to excessive watering. Thank you for your call.

BDU Shortage

Comment: I would like to see something regarding clothing sales and the lack of BDUs. I have been here since December and every time I go into clothing sales there are

empty BDU shelves with tickets telling when the product will arrive. I have not been able to get back to the store the exact date the product arrives but within a couple days and the shelves are still empty. I have several troops within my squadron that have mentioned they cannot get what they are looking for. How are we supposed to be top notch if we can't get new uniforms in a timely manner? We get rated on our performance reports on how we look.

Response: Unfortunately, there has been a shortage of BDUs for all of 2004 and through the first quarter of 2005. Defense Supply Center Philadelphia has advised us that shortages no longer exist. Hawaii is considered an overseas area and it takes longer to recover from shortages in overseas areas. AAFES is working with DSCP to get stocks back up to normal levels. The orders began arriving late April/early May. BDU caps are scheduled to arrive mid June. Woodland and Desert BDUs, as well as the new ACUs, are made by the same suppliers so DSCP had to establish manufacturing priorities based on the requirements of the Army and Air Force. The DSCP is AAFES' only authorized source for BDUs. Thank you for bringing to this our attention.

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Crisis Response lines

Hickam Family Support Center
449-0300
Life Skills Support Center
449-0175
Law Enforcement Desk
449-6373
Base Chaplain
449-1754
Military Family Abuse Shelter

533-7125

Hickam Voices

What is your best travel tip?



Instead of throwing away old clothes wear them one last time on your trip then leave them behind. No laundry to do or clothes to unpack when you get home. Plus, the clothes left behine at motels usually get sent to charity distribution places. An additional bonus: it leaves your suitcase empty for souvenirs.

> Maj. Cori Hunt 15th Medical Operations Squadron



There is a Website out there that will get you outstanding deals for your lodging costs. Http://www. afvclub.com is the Armed Forces Vacation Website. Depending on the area you plan on spending your vacation in, you can find beautiful condos with a capacity for up to six adults for only \$265 a week.

1st Lt. Jonnathan Camacho 15th Logistics Readiness



When traveling by air always carry an extra pair of socks/underwear and tooth brushing kit on your per-

> 1st Lt. Mike Sechler 15th Operational Support



Learn as much as possible about the place you will be traveling to. The world fact book at http://www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook/geos/af.html is a

good place for information. Master Sgt.

Patrick Beckford 715th Air Mobility Group



Relax, take your time and safely enjoy the trip. Tomorrow is not promised.

Master Sgt. Kim Lingham 692nd Intelligence Group



Never count your money at an ATM machine. When you count your you're giving a criminal who may be watching a rough estimate of how much money you took out. Take your money and shove it in your pocket. Count it and put it way in your wallet elsewhere.

> Airman 1st Class **Victor Cranfill** 692nd Intelligence Group



Make copies of certain documents or items to take on your trip. That way, if they are lost or stolen, you have something you can work with to replace them. Make copies of the front and back of credit cards as the 1-800 numbers are usually on the back.

> Sidney Hall Pacific Air Forces



As an avid and very experienced traveler, the number one travel tip I can give is to blend in. Don't become a target, or worse a statis-

> Jim Lina 15th Comptroller Squadron

Next week's question: June 17: What's the best advice your dad ever gave you?

To respond to this question, send an email to hickam.kukini@ hickam.af.mil with a response and phone number to contact

AFSA

Not an organization just for sergeants

By Senior Airman Sarah Kinsman

Kukini Editor

While many who hear the names "Air Force Sergeant's Association" may think this organization is for sergeants only, the fact is the AFSA is for all enlisted members of the Air Force.

Chapter 1550 is the Hawaii chapter. Each year Congress makes decisions on issues directly affecting the lives of enlisted people and their families.

"AFSA is an international organization dedicated to speaking out on behalf of enlisted Air Force members and today, with nearly 135,000 AFSA members, the voice of the

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Capitol Hill," said Master Sgt. Ronal Pompa, AFSA Chapter 1550 president.

enlisted rings strong on

AFSA's membership is made up of Air Force enlisted members, both active and retired, of all grades including the Guard and Reserve members.

AFSA members support the AFSA lobbyists on Capitol Hill, said Sergeant Pompa

"AFSA lobbyists continue to inform members of Congress of the sacrifices thos who wear and have worn the uniform and their families make on a daily basis for the protection of the American way of life," he said. "From fighting for full pay raises for those still wearing the uniform, to full on-time cost of living allowances p.m. at J.R. Rockers.

the way to preserve and improve the quality of life for it's members.

Sen. John McCain, Republican of Arizona, describes AFSA as an effective presence on Capitol Hill.

"I often call AFSA when a tough legislative job needs to be done. For (more than) three decades they've been an extremely effective and respected presence on Capitol Hill," he said. "AFSA educates those members on Capitol Hill who have never served and perhaps don't fully understand the sacrifices the enlisted members of the Air Force, the Reserve and the Nation Guard make to protect our great nation."

> The AFSA also participates in many activities around Hickam

including the professional development seminar briefings and donating money various recognition ceremonies.

People become a member of the AFSA by visiting http://www.afsahw.org,

clicking on the "Join AFSA today" button and filling out the application form. Membership fees are \$25 for one year, \$44 for two, \$64 for three or \$350 for a lifetime membership.

All Hickam enlisted members, both active, Reserve, Guard and retirees are invited to attend the next AFSA meeting June 21 at 3:30 p.m. at J.R. Rockers. The meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 3:30

Program offers comraderie for Hickam Airmen

By Senior Airman Sarah Kinsman Kukini Editor

The Air Force Sergeant's Association Chapter 1550 recently created a subchapter called the Airmen's Activity Program.

The AAP "was formed to build comraderie and morale among all Airmen on Hickam," said Master Sgt. Ronald Pompa, AFSA Chapter 1550 president.

Although the program is just getting started, its members are planning a fundraiser to raise money to put together a activity for Hickam Airmen and their fam-

"Our goal and responsibilities are to provide AFSA and Hickam Airmen (E-1 to E-4) with a voice in their Air Force community and organize activities to help build morale and being networking among Airmen," said Airman 1st Class Jacob Law, AAP president.

The AAP is hosting a cosmic bowling afternoon June 18 for it's first fundraiser. All of Team Hickam is invited to participate.

The cost of \$12.50 per player includes three games, shoe rental and an entry to win door prizes from the pro shop, AAFES and more. To sign up a team, email Airman Heather Doggett at heather.doggett@hickam.af.mil, or call Senior Airman Abiola Gomes at 449-7821. After duty hours, call Airman 1st Class Justin Herbert at 230-6172.

For more information about the AAP, contact Airman Law at 449-3122.

Not just another trip to zoo

USO, community shows appreciation for military

By Sharee Moore Kukini Photojournalist

It was more than a trip to the zoo for more than 6,000 military and family members who attended the Military Appreciation Day at the Honolulu Zoo Saturday.

Families received special treatment with free parking, shuttle service and even a private "military only" entrance to the zoo. Inside, volunteers served up complimentary hotdogs, chips, drinks and ice cream all courtesy the United Services Organization, City and County of Honolulu and the Honolulu Zoological Association.

Since 1941, the USO has been serving the military here, but this year organizers wanted to do something

more. "I was an Air Force wife for 25 years so I know what it was like to be a wife with three kids ... I wanted to do something like this and to be able to bring the families in for free," explained Elaine Ota, deputy director of USO-

"My focus is the family, military and all the children and that's it ... and this is why I wanted this to happen," she

Ms. Ota rallied the support of Sidney Quintal, director of enterprise services with the city and he took her idea and made it work.

Volunteers put in more than 500 logistics and planning hours over the past two and a half months, according to Mr. Quintal. The event cost close to \$60,000, which primarily came from donations, he added.

"I cannot tell you how wonderful they have been. If it wasn't for (City and County), if it wasn't for the zoo



The Marine Corps Band performs during the Military Appreciation Day at the Honolulu Zoo Saturday. The zoo opened their doors to all military ID card holders for free and the USO provided free lunches to the first 5,000 attendees.

society people and the zoo employees, this would not have been pulled off," emphasized Ms. Ota.

The Marine Corps Band played for attendees followed by remarks from dignitaries that included Honolulu Mayor Mufi Hanneman. Girls from Palefuiono-o Tasalaotale (Royal Diadem of Samoa) and Halau Hula O Na Wahine performed cultural dances for the crowd.

Event goers expressed their satisfaction with the day's events.

"I think it's incredible. We as families and service members make a lot of sacrifices and do a lot in the community, so I think it's great that we can come and enjoy the zoo on a special day," said Jennifer Mallory, wife of Capt. Phillip Mallory, Air National Guard.

"I think it's really great," exclaimed

Maj. Mark Pollard, Hickam Legal office.

"We're just really appreciative, this is great," his wife, Rachel Walker empha-

The celebration continued until 4:30 p.m. with special music throughout the afternoon by well-know performers including Melveen Leed, Kapena and the Royal Hawaiian Band.

There were an abundance of familyfriendly activities including face and mask painting, zoo presentations and antics from many animals including giraffes, lemurs, hippos, gharials and the lone black bear on display.

Zoo representatives told Ms. Ota that visitors to the zoo Saturday reached a record high. Organizers hoped to have at least 5,000 participants for the Military Appreciation Day events.

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Studying for promotion or pursuing off-duty education are both important for career progression.

"Explain the importance to your family members, work out a schedule that still includes family time, and stick to it," he emphasized.

Finally, "Integrity is important. Don't be wishy-washy and stick by your guns," he said. Exemplified by hard work

Throughout his career, Chief Trame established that hard work meant going above the basic requirements of the assigned task.

Going "above" also often meant late hours and little sleep.

"While I operated on one-and-a-half to two hours of sleep for several of the initial days (at Camp Blanding, Exercise INTERNAL LOOK 96), Bernie seemingly never slept," marveled Col. Roland LeSieur, Air Combat Command deputy director of communications and information systems.

"He'd still be banging at a keyboard when I came back from the 'catnaps.' He was like the Energizer Bunny, he just kept going and going," Colonel LeSieur recounted.

Balancing work and family

To help maintain that balance, Chief Trame has allowed his wife of 17 years, Jeannie, and daughter Angela, 16, to make two important decisions regarding the family's future: the chief's retirement date and where the family



Courtesy photo

Chief Trame visits with Iraqi distinguised guests during a deployment.

will move afterward.

Although Chief Trame is only three months shy of the 30-year mark, he's determined to keep the promise he made to his daughter and

to Jeannie, who he calls his bedrock.

"(Jeannie) does more than just being there and listening (to me vent) at home; she has made everything so easy for me (and I rely on her support). I can sew, I can cook, I can do a lot of things myself so I didn't marry her for that," he said while smiling at Jeannie.

"She is my biggest critic and best supporter, always encouraging me to be a better individual than I was the day before. We are partners in life and do just about everything together."

His daughter, Angela, plans to follow his lead with a career in



Photo by Sharee Moore

Chief Trame visits with his daughter Angela (center) and wife Jeannie.

the Air Force. First stop: Colorado Springs, Colo., home of the United States Air Force Academy.

Academy.

Although future plans remain unclear, there

is one thing Chief Trame can say with certainty.
"I love my country, I love my family, and I love my Air Force family."

(Chief Trame will retire today, 9 a.m. at the Channel Memorial.)

Family and former leaders offered insight into the Chief Master Sgt. Bernard "Bernie" Trame they've come to know and otherine.

"He does not look at who you are on the outside ... it doesn't matter if you're black, white or whatever. He makes you feel very comfortable, right away he just accepts you for who you are," said wife, Jeannie.

"I'm very proud of my dad and what he's accomplished, I understand his duty ... I think he's probably my idol because I don't think I could stay in the Air Force almost 30 years ... but I'm probably going to follow in my dad's footsteps and join the Air Force as well," said Chief Trame's daughter, Angela, 16.

"He's also a funny guy with a great work ethic who maintains the perfect mix of leadership and technical skills. He's also the only one who spoke 'geek' in the entire Central Command Headquarters [1994 - 1996]," said Maj. Gen. William Lord, 81st Training Wing commander.

"His drive, determination and desire to do the right thing for his troops will be sorely missed. Bernie, it has been a great pleasure serving with you. I am proud to call you a fellow chief, Airman, patriot, but most importantly - a friend," said Chief Master Sgt. Edward "Ted" Colquhoun, Air Intelligence Agency command chief master sergeant.

"Bernie's attention to detail, his 110 percent effort at all times, his take-charge attitude and mission focus stand out. He's a team player and we wouldn't have gotten through the tough sledding without him," said Col. Roland LeSieur, Air Combat Command Communications and Information Systems deputy director.

"Bernie is a very passionate and committed man. These traits coupled with intelligence, common sense, loyalty and a strong desire to serve and help others ... best describes Bernie's core. Endearing and steadfast is our friendship, I would gladly stand by his side in battle if necessary," said Michael McGee, retired chief master sergeant.

Chief Master Sergeant Bernard Trame, Jr. Career highlights

Awards and decorations

Bronze Star

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Joint Service Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Joint Service Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Other achievements

1983 Bronze Medalist Electronic Security Command COMFY Olympics 1998 Senior NCO of the Year, Joint Intelligence Center Pacific

1998 PACOM Communications Manager of the Year

1998 Air Force Intelligence Contributor of the Year

1999 Lance P. Sijan Award Recipient, Joint Intelligence Center Pacific

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Five Hickam members punished under UCMJ

By Staff Sgt. Malachi Carmichael 15th Airlift Wing Legal office

While punishments imposed for similar offenses may appear to vary from case-to-case, each case is decided based on a number of factors and on its own specific facts. Punishments vary, based on such factors as an offender's age, prior work and disciplinary record, financial condition, suitability for continued service and the level of severity of the particular offense committed. To ensure fair administration of justice throughout the Hickam community, the legal office reviews all cases

A technical sergeant was charged with one specification of failure to obey a lawful order, in violation of Article 92, Uniform Code of Military Justice. Punishment consisted of a suspended reduction to staff sergeant, a suspended forfeiture of \$1,343 pay per month for two months, suspended extra duty for 45 days and a reprimand.

A staff sergeant was charged with one specification of failure to obey a lawful order, and two specifications of negligent dereliction of duty, all in violation of Article

92, UCMJ. Punishment consisted of a suspended reduction to senior airman and a reprimand.

An airman first class was charged with three specifications of absent without leave, in violation of Article 86, UCMJ, and two specifications of making a false official statement in violation of Article 107, UCMJ. Punishment consisted of suspended reduction to airman and 14 days extra duty.

**An Airman First Class was charged with one specification of wrongful use of marijuana, in violation of Article 112a, UCMJ. Punishment consisted of reduction to airman.

An Airman was charged with two specifications of making a false official statement in violation of Article 107, UCMJ. Punishment consisted of suspended reduction to airman basic, 30 days restriction to Hickam and 30 days extra duty.

**Drug use is incompatible with military service and therefore is a mandatory initiation of involuntary discharge action. If you are caught using illegal drugs, unless you meet specific criterion, you will be involuntarily discharged from the military.



Mutual simple assault/disorderly conduct

Three military family members were detained and charged for an altercation on a school bus while entering the main gate. They were eventually released to their sponsors.

Shoplifting

A military family member was detained by Army Air Force Exchange Service store detectives for shoplifting. They were processed and eventually released. Total cost of stolen merchandise: \$697.

Domestic disturbance/assault

An active-duty Air Force member reported being physically assaulted by her civilian spouse. Patrolmen arrived on scene and separated both parties.

Theft of private property

An active duty Air Force member noti-

fied security forces about his son's bicycle being stolen from their quarters. Estimated value: \$100.

Theft of private property

An active duty Air Force member notified security forces about her vehicle wheel covers being stolen from the dorm parking lot.

Estimated value: \$200.

Vandalism

An Air Force contractor telephoned requesting immediate security forces assistance. The contractor reported an unknown individual had stolen the lock and chain used to secure his construction site. He also reported his back hoe was vandalized. Estimated damage: \$2,000.

CRIME FACTS

Top four reasons crimes are committed:

- 1. For monetary or financial
- 2. To impress friends or peers
- 3. For revenge
- 4. Mental instability

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Hickam's water determined to be safe

By Staff Sgt. Linda Grunwald

15th Aerospace Dental Squadron

Hickam water consumers can rest assured that their water is safe and reliable, meeting all Federal, Air Force, State, and local safe drinking water requirements.

Continual monitoring at the source and within the system ensures only safe quality drinking water is supplied to Team Hickam.

Federal Law requires this consumer confidence report to be published to provide water quality information to the consuming public; however, consumers would be notified immediately if a regulated contaminant exceeded standards.

Presented in this report is information on the source of Hickam's water, its constituents, and the health risks associated with any contaminants. Safety and health of Team Hickam members are paramount. In order to ensure tap water is safe to drink, the Environmental Protection Agency prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems.

Team Hickam works in cooperation with the Navy and State of Hawaii to protect Hickam's water from contaminants. Within the boundaries of Hickam, the state and the bioenvironmental engineering flight monitor for contaminants in the water system. All contaminant levels were well below the established health and safety limits.

The Pearl Harbor Water System is continually working to protect the water from contaminants. The State of Hawaii Department of Health has completed the source water assessment in early 2004. This document identifies the susceptibility of the water supply to contamination.

What is the source of Hickam's water?

Hickam water is supplied by the Pearl Harbor Water System. The Pearl Harbor Water System uses groundwater from local aquifers as its water source. Groundwater is naturally filtered as it travels from the surface to the aquifer below ground. The water is pumped from the aquifer, then disinfected, fluoridated, and piped into the distribution system.

Why does the water have an unusual odor or taste?

The water on Hickam may taste differently than what people are accustomed to; however, it still meets all applicable standards. Several things cause different odors and tastes coming from ground water. Some are caused by dissolved salts and minerals as the water percolates through the ground to the aquifer. Some minerals may be filtered out of the water. The absence of minerals such as manganese, calcium, and iron, may cause the water to taste bland.

The water on Hickam may also taste differently than water at other areas on the island because some of the local water systems do not add chlorine, as the Pearl Harbor Water System is required to do by Navy policy. Adding a small chlorine "residual" is a standard industry practice to prevent pathogens, such as bacteria, from growing within the system. Chlorination is one added factor of safety to ensure water is safe.

Another factor that may affect taste is the water temperature. When water is warm, it may not seem to taste as pleasant as when it is cold. Although the water may taste differently here than other areas on the island or from member's previous locations, the water is safe for consumption.

Why are there contaminants in the water?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791. What are some possible contaminants?

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

 Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

• Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or

Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Avg. Level Found	Range	Date of Sample	Exceeded Standard?	Likely Source of Contaminant
Microbial			- cana		Gampio		
Total Coliform	0	5%	0	n/a	2004	No	Naturally-occurring
Inorganic							
Nitrate as Nitrogen	10	10	.962	0.55-2.2	2004	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching
_							from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion
							of natural deposits
Barium (ppm)	2	2	.007	nd - 0.013		No	Erosion of natural deposits
Flouride (ppm)	4	4	.58	.4764	2003	No	Erosion of natural deposits; water
							additive which promotes strong teeth
Organic							
Trihalomethanes	80	n/a	1.4	<1.0 - 4.3	2004	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Lead and Copper			_				
Lead (ppb)	15	n/a	<5	nd - <5	2004	No	May occur from corrosion of plumbing
0 ()	4000	,	400	- 4 0 405	0004		system or erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	1300	n/a	193	54.9 - 195	2004	No	May occur from corrosion of plumbing
Radionuclides							system or erosion of natural deposits
	0	15	1.2		2000	Na	Function of motional demonstra
Gross alpha activity	0	15	1.2	nd - 2	2000	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Unregulated Contaminants							
Bromoform (ppb)	n/a	n/a	0.45	nd - 0.9	2000	n/a	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Dieldrin (ppb)	n/a	n/a	.007	nd015	1004	n/a	n/a
Sodium (ppb)	n/a	n/a	72	28 - 124	2003	n/a	Naturally occurring
Sulfate (ppm)	n/a	n/a	10	nd - 46	2003	n/a	Naturally occurring
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result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also, come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Do people need to take special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised people such as people with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, people who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk to infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines on appropriate means to

lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

What are the sampling results?

The Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight and Pearl Harbor Public Works Center constantly monitor for various contaminants in the water supply to meet all regulatory requirements. The actual results are listed in the chart on this page. The contaminants listed in the table were analyzed at levels above laboratory detection limit; however, levels are well below the EPA and state safe drinking water limits. Contaminants not present in the drinking water or analyzed below laboratory detection limits are not included in the table. The Hickam water system meets all applicable standards and complies with the National Primary Drinking Water Regulation. If the water ever became unsafe to drink on the base, 15th Aerospace Dental Squadron members would immediately notify the public and take appropriate actions to provide safe drinking water to all base residents and workers.

For more information on Hickam's drinking water, contact the 15th ADS Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight at 449-6814.

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Data cards complete paperless transition

months. Civil service employ-

ees are also encouraged to

update their virtual Emergency

Data System contact informa-

tion as needed for the same rea-

Both online applications take

about 15 minutes to complete,

and ask questions such as who

are the relatives who should be

contacted and what are their

http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mi

l/vs/ to log into vMPF or to

Force Personnel Center Public

(Information courtesy of Air

establish an account.

For more information, visit

addresses.

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE their information every six BASE, Texas – After decades of Airmen updating emergency contact information in their personnel records, everyone is now required to update the information online from home or work rather than visiting their military personnel flights.

Effective immediately MPFs are no longer required to print and file a paper copy of the Virtual Record of Emergency Data, or vRED, form in each Airman's personnel records. The paperless form provides the Air Force with information needed to contact family members if an Airman suffers a serious illness or injury, or dies Affairs.) while on active duty.

The vRED, which replaced the "DD Form 93, Record of Emergency Data" in 2003, is required to be kept updated by each individual. Now the only way to update an Airman's emergency data is by visiting the virtual MPF online.

Airmen who do not have access to a vMPF account. such as new accessions or basic trainees, must still complete a DD Form 93 until thev establish an online account, said Maj. Yancey Cowen, chief of the casualty services branch at the Air Force Personnel Center here.

"The biggest advantage is convenience for the customer," he said. "Airmen won't have to stand in line at the MPF to make simple changes to their contact information."

Airmen are required to keep their vREDs current at all times and review their contact data at least annually, according to Major Cowen. Also, every Airman must review their vRED during in-processing and prior to all deployments.

"Accurate and current family contact information can prevent delays in notifications and perhaps benefits for Airmen and family members," Major Cowen said.

Personnel officials encourage all active-duty, Guard and Reserve members to update

Boy Scouts pay tribute

By 1st Lt. Craig Savage 15th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts from Team Hickam paid tribute to some of America's fallen heroes May 29 at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific.

Hickam's scouting organiza tions included Boy Scout troops 97 and 135 and Cub Scout Pack 197. More than 300 scouts contributed to the Aloha Council's Memorial Day Good Turn event.

The Aloha Council event is held each year and allows the young scouts to honor fallen Americans and the member's surviving family by decorating each individual resting place with leis and tiny American flags.

"We do this to honor the memory of those who served, and their families. Those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice for our nation's freedom," said Chad Cornelius, Wolf Pack den leader. "It's our way of saying thank you."

Boy Scouts of America was incorporated Feb. 8, 1910, and chartered by Congress in 1916 to provide an educational program for boys and young adults to build character, to train in the responsibilities of participating citizenship, and to develop personal fitness.

Safety key in summer fun

By Gaylen Redoble Hickam Occupational Safety and Health specialist

The "101 Critical Days of summer" are here. Memorial Day weekend marked the beginning of the 101 days of summer and Labor Day marks the end

Traditionally, the summer months are the busiest time of the year. The Hickam safety staff would like to remind Team Hickam that safety should be a part of everyone's daily activities.

Mishaps may occur anywhere and anytime. People may be at the beach, at the park or at home. Most mishaps will occur because of unsafe practices or failure to observe established local safety rules and procedures. Every summer, thousands are killed and more

injured as a result of mishaps. Remember to keep mishaps from ruining everyone's summer. People should put safety into everything they do.

The highways and byways throughout the islands are always busy. During the summer, traffic seems to increase. Hawaii's new graduates, new drivers, beach-bound or park-bound families and friends will be on the road. Keep a "cool" head. Drive defensively. Look out for the other driver. Road rage is a possible danger. Use a seat belt and arrive alive. Another thing to remember is drinking alcohol and driving don't mix. Use a designated driver.

Graduations bring to mind tons of celebrations. Graduation celebrations, like Luaus and school graduation party cruises, will be in full swing. Consider using a designated driver to get to and from a destination.

A great Hawaiian beach will surely be one of people's destinations this summer. Take along a good sunscreen (at least SPF 35) and a pair of sunglasses. Protect skin from over-exposure to the sun. Protect eves from harmful UV rays. Although people may have lived in Hawaii all their lives, they are not immune to the sun's rays. Observe signs posted at a favorite beach. Know the water conditions for the area swimming is planned. Use the buddy system: never swim alone.

Summer means children are out of school. Keep an eye out for loose toys and the little people who try to retrieve them from the roadways. Open cook out grills can be another problem. Keep the kids away from them.

Don't be a statistic this summer. Be safe, think safety, live the "safety"

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for the Air Force Aid Society General George S. Brown Spouse Tuition Assistance Program is rapidly approaching. Applications for classes starting between Aug. 1 and Oct. 31 are required to be turned in to the Base Training and Education Services office by Wednesday. Applications turned in after that date will not be accepted. STAP Award letters may be picked up starting July 1. Letters not picked up within 30 days of that date will forfeit their award and the letters will be destroyed. For more information about STAP. https://www.hickam. af.mil, stop by the Hickam Education Services Center located in Hangar2, room 103, or call 449-6363.

Squadron closure - All 15th Mission Support Squadron agencies (except ID cards) will be closed June 17 for an official function. ID cards will be issued by the military personnel flight between 8:30 a.m. and noon and by the Hawaii Air National Guard between noon and 3 p.m. For emergencies, contact the 15th MSS First Sergeant at 479-0002 or 630-6105. The 15 MSS will resume normal business hours June 20.

Donation – Members of the General Daniel "Chappie" James Jr. Masonic Lodge number 4, donated a variety of items to the Airmen's Attic Wednesday. Items included VCRs, DVDs, toys, children and adult clothing, games, a lawn mower and a bike.

Babysitting classes - For youth ages 11 to 18 interested in becoming American Red Cross-certified babysitters, a course will be offered June 18. The cost is \$35 and pre-registration is required. For more information, call 449-0166 or stop by the Red Cross office at 655 Vickers Ave.

Airmen Against Drunk **Driving** - AADD is now available for special event and functions. If a squadron is holding a special event or function and alcohol is available, AADD can be made available for the unit. Interested squadrons should contact Airman 1st Class Tara Newcomb at tara.newcomb@hickam.af.mil, at least two weeks prior to your

People interested in volunteering for AADD, contact Airman Newcomb at 448-2115 or Airman 1st Class Darin Stout at 449-5916. AADD is on call 6 p.m. Friday to 6 a.m. Sunday and all Wing down days and holidays. AADD is not operational during the weekdays or weeknights unless a special event has been scheduled through a coordinator. Call 449-RIDE or 449-LIFT for a designated driver. If someone has any problems contacting 449-RIDE or 449-LIFT during operating hours, call a program coordinator on standby at 620-4939.

Volunteers needed - The Hickam Airman's Attic is in need of volunteers during the following hours: Mondays and Wednesdays 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.; Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. To volunteer, contact the attic at 449-5677.

OU programs - The University of Oklahoma offers a master of arts in managerial economics and a master of public administration. The school's non-thesis programs can be completed in about 18 months. The one week classes are very TDY and TAD friendly. Contact OU at 449-6364 or aphickam@ou.edu for more information or visit the OU website at www.goou.ou.edu.

New Code Adam Alert program implemented at base exchanges

CAMP FOSTER – It's a scenario every parent fears. While at a store shopping, Mom looks down to discover little Amy, who had been right by her side only seconds ago, is now gone. As she frantically races down aisles calling little Amy's name, precious seconds tick by. Has Amy wandered off to the toy department or maybe the bathroom? Or has someone lured her away from Mommy and is right now headed out the door with her. Mom feels helpless and doesn't know what to do next.

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service recognizes that this situation plays itself out more than parents want to admit. In most cases, the child has just wandered away, but there are times when they are truly lost. Thanks to the recently implemented Code Adam Alert program, AAFES associates are now better equipped for situations such as the one above.

The Code Adam Alert program unites AAFES with the National Center for Missing and Exploited children in a program designed to help locate lost or missing children in stores as quickly as possible. The program is part of the "Prosecutorial Remedies and Other Tools to End the Exploitation of children Today Act of 2003" also called the Hatch immediately go to any associate on Child Protection Act. Among other things, the Act required all federal buildings to establish missing child procedures.

Code Adam was named after sixyear-old Adam Walsh, who, in 1981, was kidnapped from a Florida shopping mall and murdered.

According to Keith Boettiger, Chief of Loss Prevention, Pacific Region, while AAFES has always been quick to help locate lost children, this program gives associates specific duties and prevents duplication of efforts.

Boettiger said all Pacific Region associates received training and practical hands-on exercises. Once 100 percent of associates were trained, the program was imple-

"We have always put our customers first and tried to take care of all their needs. This program is a way to take care of our littlest customers. However, we want to encourage all our parents to remain vigilant in keeping all children safe and don't let them wander around without supervision."

How Code Adam Works:

When an AAFES shopper realizes their child is missing, they should

the sales floor for assistance. The first thing the associate will do is ask for a description, including:

- Age, height and weight
- · Hair and eye color
- · Clothing including coat and

After getting the description, the associate will announce over the base exchange public address system that there is a "Code Adam in Progress" and will recite the child's description. At this time, all associates, except cashiers, will begin searching the store for the child.

Some associates have special assignments, like watching the front and rear doors and checking the rest rooms. This ensures that these critical areas are monitored and avoids having a number of associates duplicating the work of others.

If the child is not found in 10 minutes - or less if judged by the situation - the military police will be called. Even after the police have been called, however, the search will continue.

The "Code Adam" ends either when the child is found or when the police assume responsibility for the search. (Courtesy of AAFES Public



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BRAC changes to medicine focus on care

WASHINGTON

Airmen bound for a career in the Air Force Medical Service will start off by training in a joint environment if all Base Realignment and Closure recommendations approved.

The changes will not completely homogenize training for enlisted medical specialists, but they will allow all the services to share resources, said the chairman for the medical joint cross service group for BRAC 2005.

"The recommendation is to move all Air Force medical training out of Shepherd Air Force Base, Texas, to Fort Sam Houston, Texas," said Air Force Surgeon General Lt. Gen. (Dr.) George Peach Taylor Jr. "That's where the Army school house is."

Part of that recommendation is that Navy officials also move their enlisted medical training to San

"Think of it as a university campus, with a Navy college, an Air Force college and an Army college for enlisted training," Dr. Taylor said. "They will be able to share resources, lab and class space, and teaching and administrative staff. They will work together, like we do in wartime."

The general also said each service, while working together to train its medics, would still maintain unique training tracks for its people. Airmen will still train to the Air Force's unique mission.

"The challenge is to put the curriculums together, look for the common areas, and not lose the fact these are still Airmen in training," he said. "They will not be purple medics; they will be Airmen medics. (Story by Staff Sgt. C. Todd Lopez, Air Force Print

Total force combats explosive devices

KANDAHAR FIELD, Afghanistan - On a normal day, operations at 451st Expeditionary Group here can be typical of any deployed unit.

Civil engineer Airmen work tirelessly to keep the long-neglected runway open so that thousands of Soldiers can remain supplied. Aerial port Airmen load and unload a seemingly endless stream of aircraft carrying people and Services equipment. Airmen schedule activities to entertain those deployed to this far-flung location.

Sometimes, however, an event can occur that highlights the uniqueness of the 451st AEG and the Airmen assigned to it.

A perfect example of this occurred recently, when an Army convoy traveling north of Kandahar hit an improvised explosive device.

The incident showed how all the parts in such an expeditionary unit work together, and how the Air Force is supporting the warfighters on the ground

Mending a broken wing "The Air Force is here as



Photo by Staff Sgt. Jocelyn Rich

Former mayor, defense official offer **BRAC** advice

in southern Afghanistan.

the senior airport authority, but we're also here to pro-

vide critical elements to

support the Army's offen-

sive operations in southern

Afghanistan," said Col.

Eric Vollmecke, 451st AEG

commander deployed from

the West Virginia Air

National Guard. "With

(tactical air control party),

air evacuation, pararescue

and explosive ordnance

disposal (Airmen) we're

not your typical unit by any

means." (Story by 1st Lt.

Andrew Schmidt, 451st Air

Expeditionary Group)

WASHINGTON - Two officials who have experiwith Realignment and Closure have written some insights they hope will be of value to communities that may lose facilities in this year's BRAC round.

Paul Tauer is the former

OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM - Senior Airman Shaun Ahmadi works on a B-52 Stratofortress at a forward-deployed location June 3. He is a crew chief with the 40th Expeditionary Maintenance Squadron and is deployed from Minot Air Force Base, N.D.

mayor of Aurora, Colo. an affected city. Patrick Defense Department's office of eco-

economic challenges.

"I was fortunate, or unfortunate enough, to be nomic adjustment director, the mayor ... during both which closed Fitzsimons

helps affected cities meet the 1991 base closure round, which closed Lowry Air Force Base, and the 1995 base closure round,

Army Medical Center," Mr. Tauer said. "My first thought was, 'My God, we're going to be faced with having a closed military facility, with weeds 5 feet tall, and boarded up buildings and fenced, and what a detriment to the community it would be.' But on further reflection, it became obvious that something had to be done.

"In both cases, there was a lot of concern and consternation about what's going to happen now, and what is it going to mean for business viability," he said. "The veterans' community was particularly aghast because they were concerned about the medical care, more than anything, and the ability to buy things at the (exchange) and the commissary, and so forth. There was a tremendous outcry and concern, by the community, as a whole, and particularly, the veterans' community, about both possible closures. (Courtesy of American Forces Press Service)



Pre-teens Summer Splash program

The part-day camp 'Summer Splash' will conduct its first week of summer fun entitled 'Seaside Adventure' Tuesday and Thursday. Pre-teens will enjoy a hike to Makapu'u Light House, view the windward side of the island and swim at Bellows Beach Park Tuesday. Thursday, the gang will head to Sea Life Park. Cost is \$30 per person. For more information, call the teen center at 449-2233.

Teens take off for summer fun

The Hickam Teen Center is presenting the first of three weeks of its part-day camp. 'Isle Adventure' starting Monday and Wednesday. Teens will participate in 'Water Exploration' week to include snorkeling at Shark's Cove on the North Shore Monday. Wednesday, it's a barbeque and swimming at Scott's Pool. Cost is \$20. For more information, call the teen center at 449-2233.

Father's Day bouquet

Send Dad a bouquet of balloons with a surprise attached June 17 for Father's Day. Kidsports is offering a delivery anywhere on base for \$15. Show Dad the love by calling Kidsports at 448-6611.

Father's Day brunch



The Hickam Enlisted Club honors dads with its annual Father's Day Brunch June 19. With such delectable favorites as roast pork loin, sweet & sour fish and cinnamon roasted chicken along with hundreds of other menu items, Dad is sure to feel special. The enlisted club is offering two seatings at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Tickets, which may be purchased at the club, are



required so purchase them early. For additional information, call the club at 449-1292.



Father's Day sale at Mamala Bay

The Mamala Bay Pro Shop will conduct its annual Father's Day Sale

Monday through June 18 with a 10 percent discount on all merchandise in stock.

This is a great opportunity to get Dad that special gift for his day. For more information, call 449-2047.

Learn to surf at outdoor recreation

Hickam Outdoor Recreation will conduct group surfing lessons June 18 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The \$30 fee includes board rental, transportation and instruction.

Don't miss this chance to learn Hawaii's national sport. Participants must be able to swim without a life jacket. For more information, call outdoor recreation at 449-5215.



Scrapbooker's Night

The monthly Scrapbooker's Night will be held at the Arts and Crafts Center on Kuntz Ave. Thursday from 5 to 9:30 p.m.

Participants will receive 15 percent off on albums and selected Father's Day scrapbooking supplies purchased at the event. Make a full evening of it. Door prizes will be awarded and pupus served during this fun event. For additional details, call the center at 449-1568.

Officers' Club offers new lobster night

Hankerin' for lobster? The officers' club is hosting its first 'no frills lobster night' June 18 from 6 to 8 p.m. The meal will consist of a live Maine lobster (Min. 2 lb.), tossed green salad, rice and corn on the cob. The price is \$29.95 and is available to club members and bonafide guests only.

The club will also provide an alternate meal of prime rib au jus as well as its children's menu. For reservations, call the club at 448-4608.

Prepare now for Independence Day

Plan now to attend the top 'ohana' July 4th celebration on the island.

It will be non-stop weekend fun for four days on the beach at Hickam Harbor.

Be among the first to experience camping on the beach at Hickam. Camp sites open at 3 p.m. July 1. July 2, wakeup and participate in the Beach Blast 500 meter swim (9 a.m. start/\$10 entry fee includes t-shirt).

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Then get ready for a day of fun for both kids and adults including the Aama Crab Race, Fear Factor and the ever-popular 'Rock Skipping Contest.'

The Beach Blast heats up July 3 with the exciting Hammerhead Shark Fishing Contest followed by more beach fun to include the Ultimate Belly Flop Contest, the Coconut Contest, Tug O' War and another outdoor recreation feature called 'Foster's Flicks'.

Foster's Flicks presents a family feature movie right on the beach followed by a mini-fireworks display.

Celebrate Independence Day like never before with a July 4th Parade, chili cookoff, Kiddieland, pony rides, petting zoo, sailing regatta, beer garden, sponsor giveaways, build-aboat contest, watercraft rentals, great food, Hickam Idol Contest, PACAF Band of the Pacific and climaxed by a spectacular Hickam fireworks display.

Don't miss this awesome

All American 4th of July Beach Blast weekend.

For more information, call outdoor recreation at 449-5215.



Book now for England/Scotland

Now is the time to make reservations for an international trip to the British Isles which departs Oahu Sept. 8 and returns Sept. 19.

A \$200 deposit reserves a seat on this unique tour of the other islands of Britain being hosted by the Hickam Information, Tickets and Travel office.

Tour the famous cities of London, Edinburgh and Glasgow in the land of history

For more information or



to reserve a seat, contact ITT at 423-0275.

Child care providers must attend briefing

A pre-licensing briefing for prospective child care providers is held the first Thursday of each month from 5 to 6 p.m. at the Family Child Care office located adjacent to the auto resale lot in Bldg. 2116. The next briefing is July 7.

Applicants must be base residents, 18 years old, and a high school graduate, able to read and write English and pass a National Security check.

For more information,

call the Family Child Care office at 449-1879.

All people caring for other families' children for a total of 10 hours or more per week must attend this briefing and get a license.



Stars & Strikes fun and \$500 cash

Get punched all summer long. The Air Force program 'Bowl for the Stars &

program which consists of red, white and blue punch cards. Bowl or purchase large Coke products from the Kau Kau Corner, get a card punched.

Strikes' is a participation

Fill all 10 spaces on the red card and progress to the white card and so forth for chances at prizes and the \$500 cash grand prize.

The program runs through August 15. For more information, contact the bowling center at 449-2702.

18 chances to score ace

The Par 3 Golf Course offers a chance to score an ace with its early week special. Play a 9-hole round and get a second round for half price.

This offer is valid Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Tuesdays from 1 to 8 p.m.

This is a great inexpensive way to improve someone's short game and maybe score a hole-in-one. For more information, call

the Par 3 Pro Shop at 449-2093.



Bowling breakfast now available

The Friday early bird breakfast will be served every Friday in June from 6:30 to 11 a.m. at the bowling center.

This month's special includes scrambled eggs, rice or hash browns, choice of bacon or ham, toast and coffee, tea or orange juice for \$3.95.

For more information, contact the bowling center at 449-2702.